

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) ~~A lost motion basket housing for use in a basket assembly in a railroad switch comprising:~~

a lost motion basket housing having an opening in said housing, said opening travelling laterally through said housing for allowing ~~partial-unimpeded lateral displacement of a rod or bar therethrough;~~

at least one abutment in said opening for limiting lateral displacement through said opening of a surface associated with said rod or bar; and,

means for rotatably retaining an arm associated with said housing.

Claim 2. (Currently Amended) The railroad switch ~~lost motion basket housing of claim 1,~~ said housing further comprising a head portion and a lower portion, said means for rotatably retaining an arm being located on said head portion.

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) The railroad switch ~~lost motion basket housing of claim 2~~ wherein said means for rotatably retaining an arm comprises a bore in said head portion, said bore being transverse in relation to said opening and being adapted to receive a pin for rotation in said bore and for connection to said arm.

Claim 4. (Currently Amended) The railroad switch ~~lost motion basket housing of claim 3~~ wherein said lower portion comprises means for securing a rod to said housing.

Claim 5. (Currently Amended) ~~A lost motion basket assembly for use in a railroad switch, comprising:~~

a lost motion basket housing having an opening travelling laterally therethrough for allowing partial unimpeded lateral displacement of a rod or bar therethrough along an opening axis, at least one abutment in said opening for limiting lateral displacement through said opening of a surface associated with said rod or bar member and a head portion, and a bore in said head portion, said bore having an axis that is transverse to said opening axis, said bore receiving a pin for rotation therein.

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) The railroad switch ~~lost motion basket assembly~~ of claim 5 further comprising at least one torsion arm retained on said pin.

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) The railroad switch ~~lost motion basket assembly~~ of claim 6 wherein said torsion arm comprises an elongated slot and one end of said pin extends through said elongated slot.

Claim 8. (Currently Amended) The railroad switch ~~lost motion basket assembly~~ of claims 5, 6, or 7 further comprising attachment points on said housing for securing a switch rod assembly thereto.

Claim 9. (Currently Amended) The railroad switch ~~lost motion basket assembly~~ of claim 6 or 7 wherein one end of said torsion arm is rigidly secured to an assist rod.

Claims 10-16 (Withdrawn)